

REMARKS

Claims 3-4, 6-9, 11-16, 18, and 20 remain in the application. Claims 1-2, 5, 10, 17, and 19 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Claims 3-4, 11-16, 18, and 20 have been amended. New claims 21-23 have been added.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

In the parent case, claims 1 and 3-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,094,657 to Hailpern et al. ("Hailpern").

Applicant has presented new independent claims 21-23 for consideration. It is believed that Hailpern neither teaches nor suggests the incorporation of information in an HTML or XML content into an HTTP header to be used by a Internet cache to determine how long to store the HTML or XML content associated with the HTTP header. Though Col. 2, lines 15-21 refer to a "client cache" and a "caching proxy," nothing in this section or anywhere else in Hailpern reference teaches or suggests this feature. Accordingly, favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

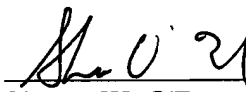
CONCLUSION

For all the above reasons, the Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4255 to discuss any matter concerning this application. The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

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